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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: Peterson, et al. |) | Examiner: Jason L. Lazorcik |
| Serial No.: 10/813,107 |) | Art Unit: 1791 |
| Filed: March 30, 2004 |) | Deposit Acct. No.: 04-1403 |
| Title: Process For Producing Smoking Articles) With Reduced Ignition Proclivity Characteristics) And Products Made According To Same |) | Customer ID: 22827 Conf. No.: 5544 |

AMENDMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FILING OF
A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner of Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 17, 2009, please amend the above captioned application as follows.